

**BILLINGS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING – SEPTEMBER 6, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. with Commissioners Arthaud, Kasian and Kessel in attendance.

Others present during portions of the meeting were: Donna Adams, Pat Rummel, Cody Reis, Jason Kastrow, Keri Rummel, Justin Hyndman, Jim Wosepka, Al & Jennifer Schaeffer, Jay Brovold, Stacey Swanson, Juliana Pemberton, Kurt Froehlich, Jeff Iverson.

Kasian moved to approve the minutes from the August 2nd regular and 15th special meetings. Kessel seconded. All voted aye.

Auditor Lamb informed the board that there was a vacancy of the County Representative to the City of Medora Zoning Board. She stated that Jim Bridger showed interest in being appointed. Arthaud moved to approve Bridger to a 5 year term on the City of Medora Zoning Board. Kessel seconded. All voted aye.

Also, Emily Klym's term on the SWREAP Board is going to end August 31st. Kasian moved to reappoint Klym to the SWREAP Board. Kessel seconded. All voted aye.

Sheriff Pat Rummel presented his monthly report. He also discussed with the board that without proper certification being received for the Billings County Rural Fire team, that County Emergency would be calling Dickinson Fire and Dive Team for high angle and swift water rescues, which the county has an agreement with for those types of calls.

Billings County Rural Fire Board Member Cody Reis was present to inform the board that the Billings County Rural Fire Chief had given his verbal resignation. There will be a Fire Board meeting on Thursday to accept his written resignation.

Al and Jennifer Schaeffer were present to discuss a request for the County to obtain an easement from the Forest Service for ¼ mile to a privately owned parcel. The Forest Service will be contacted to set up a meeting with Road Superintendent Iverson.

The board reviewed zoning requests that had been addressed by the zoning board at their August 18, 2016 meeting as follows:

Billings County School District: Application to construct a cold storage building on a 4 acre tract in the SW1/4SW1/4 11-142-99 (1996 Hwy 85 SW, South Fairfield). Also requested is a variance for the setback requirements, structure is proposed to be 210' from the center of Highway 85. Most Fairfield structures are at 200' from prior zoning ordinance. The zoning board approved the application and the variance. Kessel moved to uphold the zoning board decision. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

Legacy Hills, LLC; Tawnya Bulger and Tanya McFarland: Application to rezone a 21 acre tract in the NE1/4SE1/4 section 34-140-102 (3565 East River Rd) from Agriculture to Commercial for a destination event center with lodging. Also requested is a variance to allow horses on the 21 acre tract. Property is currently owned by Gary Peterson and Robert Bristlin. The zoning board approved the rezone conditional upon purchase agreement being presented in writing. Nothing has been turned in at this time. This will be tabled until received.

Discussion ensued regarding the next zoning meeting which will be held September 21, 2016 at 1PM at the Fairfield Fire Hall due to scheduling conflicts with the Courthouse courtroom.

The board received and approved the following ARW permits with road superintendent conditions:

- Elizabeth Gregory - Section 6-142-100 along Blacktail Road and Section 3-143-100 along 18th St SW

Jim Wosepka was present to discuss the 2015 audit. He stated that the county is in good financial position. He did state that if there is any revenue received by a department other than the Auditor/Treasurer, they should not be depositing those funds in any other checking or savings, and that they should be turned over to the Auditor/Treasurer's office. The ambulance department had a checking at one time, but that has since been closed. Recorder/Clerk of Court Donna Adams stated that her office currently deposits checks and issues refunds. Wosepka made clear that that was not acceptable and that the account should be closed. Auditor Lamb and Recorder/Clerk of Court Adams will work together to change this. Kessel moved to approve the 2015 Audit Report. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

Kurt Froehlich presented the Extension Service 2017 budget request.

Justin Hyndman was present to discuss the monthly engineers report.

Road Superintendent Jeff Iverson presented his monthly road report. Discussion regarding meeting dates for NDACo and NDACE local roads program.

The board recessed from 12:20 to 1:00 P.M.

At 1:00PM, the Preliminary budget hearing was opened. Auditor Lamb presented the individual department budgets as well as the requests from outside agencies. Ambulance Director Keri Rummel discussed the ambulance medications that used to be provided by St. Joseph’s Hospital. They are no longer providing medications to ambulance services. The ambulance cannot bill patients for these, but the hospital could. She requested to add a line item to the ambulance budget in the amount of \$20,000 for the purchase of these meds. Kasian moved to approve the 2017 preliminary budget as presented and adding the medication line item for Ambulance. Kessel seconded. All voted aye.

States Attorney Brovold was present and the board discussed an access agreement with him. Arthaud stated that the gravel is critical for the county and would like him to work on this.

The following claims were approved for payment:

PAYEE	CHECK #	AMOUNT
Blue Cross Blue Shield of N.D.	011761	\$ 3,072.10
N.D. P.E.R.S.	011762	\$ 49,127.68
3D Specialties	011763	\$ 271.30
Advanced Collision Center, LLC	011764	\$ 68.00
All-In Service, LLC	011765	\$ 26,248.75
Alternative Sanitation	011766	\$ 220.00
American Insurance Center	011767	\$ 1,093.47
AmeriPride Linen Service	011768	\$ 321.70
Anchor Drilling Fluids, U.S.A., LLC	011769	\$ 8,400.00
A T & T Mobility	011770	\$ 78.95
AVI Systems	011771	\$ 1,143.65
Belfield Automotive Supply, Inc.	011772	\$ 1,504.76
Billings County Pioneer	011773	\$ 80.56
Billings County Pioneer	011774	\$ 34.00
Billings County Sheriff	011775	\$ 220.65
Blue Cross Blue Shield of N.D.	011776	\$ 92.10
Bound Tree Medical, LLC	011777	\$ 102.29
Brooks & Associates, C. E.	011778	\$ 1,610.08
Butler Machinery Company	011779	\$ 112.20
Central Dakota Frontier Co.	011780	\$ 35.63
Cerkoney, Cathy	011781	\$ 87.80
Chad’s Automotive Clinic	011782	\$ 3,464.94
Charbonneau Car Center	011783	\$ 119.00
Chesak Seed House	011784	\$ 87.50
CHI St. Alexius Health	011785	\$ 116.00
Code 4 Services, LLC	011786	\$ 6,823.62
Comfort Inn – Bismarck	011787	\$ 640.00
Creative Energy	011788	\$ 2,596.26
Crowell & Moring, LLP	011789	\$ 284.75
D & K Services, LLC	011790	\$ 447.00
Dakota Farm Equipment, Inc.	011791	\$ 1,406.40
Dakota Insurance	011792	\$ 40.00
Dakota Sports	011793	\$ 5.20
Daimler Financial U.S.A., LLC	011794	\$ 194,720.31
Deans Distributing	011795	\$ 1,616.80
DF Lighting	011796	\$ 485.16
Dickinson Public Library	011797	\$ 4,380.35
Dryland Enterprises	011798	\$ 64,342.50
East End Auto & Truck Parts	011799	\$ 7,500.00
Erikson Trucking, Greg	011800	\$ 63,218.75
Expressway Suites – Bismarck	011801	\$ 160.20
Feininger Electric Service, LLC	011802	\$ 763.36
Four Corners Café	011803	\$ 313.00
Gall’s, Inc.	011804	\$ 202.93
Geiger, Freddie-Leigh	011805	\$ 103.88
George’s Tire, Ltd.	011806	\$ 353.00
Golden Valley County	011807	\$ 22,725.68
Hammerstrom, Juliana	011808	\$ 94.50
Hartman, Connie	011809	\$ 172.44
Helena Chemical Company	011810	\$ 9,249.45
Hild, John	011811	\$ 250.00
Hlebechuk Construction	011812	\$ 99,732.50
J & L Trucking	011813	\$ 60,875.00
J and J Operating, LLC	011814	\$ 28.08
James Oil Well Service, Inc.	011815	\$ 2,455.20
Johnson, Joshua Q.	011816	\$ 800.00
K & K Transmission	011817	\$ 226.89
Kadrmass, Lee, & Jackson, Inc.	011818	\$ 87,464.19
Kasian, Connie	011819	\$ 82.40
Kasian, Michael E.	011820	\$ 220.86
Kathrein Trucking	011821	\$ 23,287.50
Ken’s Trucking	011822	\$ 27,379.00
Kessel, Anita F.	011823	\$ 93.20
Kessel, Joseph L.	011824	\$ 270.32
Klym, Steve	011825	\$ 66.20

Kohler Communications, Inc.	011826	\$	200.00
Lacal Equipment, Inc.	011827	\$	1,348.44
LF Grading, LLC	011828	\$	5,070.00
Lilly Dog Trucking, LLC	011829	\$	23,891.25
Logo Magic	011830	\$	620.00
Lyle Signs	011831	\$	136.60
Lyman Dust Control	011832	\$	106,444.80
Mac’s, Inc.	011833	\$	800.00
Malkowski Trucking	011834	\$	59,750.00
Matthew Bender & Co., Inc.	011835	\$	38.08
MBI Energy Rentals, Inc.	011836	\$	1,150.00
MedMedia	011837	\$	250.00
Menards – Dickinson	011838	\$	376.49
Metro-Billings Services	011839	\$	160.00
Mid-American Research Chemical	011840	\$	273.64
Midstate Telephone Company	011841	\$	973.24
Missouri Valley Petroleum, Inc.	011842	\$	396.47
Mobile Binders	011843	\$	294.47
N.D. Association of Counties	011844	\$	149.38
N.D. Attorney General	011845	\$	155.00
N.D. Cowboy Hall of Fame	011846	\$	400.00
N.D. Department of Transportation	011847	\$	10.00
N.D. States’ Attorney Association	011848	\$	300.00
NDACO Resources Group, Inc.	011849	\$	1,840.19
Newby’s Ace Hardware	011850	\$	361.78
Northern Improvement Co.	011851	\$	2,295.05
Northern Improvement Co.	011852	\$	82,352.72
Off Road Software, Inc.	011853	\$	695.00
Oldel Trucking	011854	\$	27,830.00
Pakor, Inc.	011855	\$	133.82
Parkway Ford Lincoln	011856	\$	661.64
Pitney Bowes Global	011857	\$	378.27
Praxair	011858	\$	1.68
Pump Systems, Inc.	011859	\$	7,618.08
Putnam, Karen	011860	\$	51.08
Quality Quick Print	011861	\$	538.00
Randy’s Construction	011862	\$	14,653.40
RDO Trust 80-5800	011863	\$	978.79
Respond Systems	011864	\$	104.39
Robby Ridl Trucking, LLC	011865	\$	26,065.00
Romanyshyn Trucking	011866	\$	51,187.50
Roughrider RV’s	011867	\$	20.86
Rummel, Patrick	011868	\$	34.00
Runnings Supply, Inc.	011869	\$	307.21
Sanford Health – Sioux Falls	011870	\$	33.00
Sanford INPT Pharmacy	011871	\$	9,083.00
Sax Motor Co.	011872	\$	54.57
Service Printers	011873	\$	816.60
Share Corporation	011874	\$	353.50
Silver Spurs, LLC	011875	\$	25,645.00
Sky Dancer Hotel & Casino	011876	\$	279.80
Southwest Business Machines	011877	\$	743.13
Southwest Multi-Co. Correction Ctr.	011878	\$	6,162.00
Southwest Water Authority	011879	\$	2,246.58
Swanson, Stacey	011880	\$	88.00
Tab Electronics	011881	\$	3,306.50
Teigen, Jasmin	011882	\$	118.00
Temp-Right Service, Inc.	011883	\$	1,410.75
TMI Storage Systems Corporation	011884	\$	42.00
Tom’s Service Center	011885	\$	2,226.10
Total Safety U.S., Inc.	011886	\$	52.00
Tyler Technologies, Inc.	011887	\$	3,567.21
Uniform Center	011888	\$	58.99
Vanguard Appraisals, Inc.	011889	\$	4,450.00
Verizon Wireless	011890	\$	2,035.38
Vogel Law Firm	011891	\$	748.00
Wal-Mart	011892	\$	141.35
WE Transport, LLC	011893	\$	52,583.75
West Dakota Oil, Inc.	011894	\$	16,040.49
Wosepka, PC., James J.	011895	\$	8,000.00
Xylem Dewatering Solutions, Inc.	011896	\$	53.30
Zoll Medical Corporation	011897	\$	737.68
N.D. P.E.R.S.	011898	\$	4,215.36
N.D. P.E.R.S.	011902	\$	33,638.36
Century Link	011906	\$	531.76
Consolidated	011907	\$	61.73
Discovery Benefits, Inc.	011908	\$	84.00
Information Technology Dept.	011909	\$	657.90
Medora, City of...	011910	\$	477.68
Reservation Telephone Cooperative	011911	\$	40.00
Roughrider Electric Cooperative	011912	\$	3,614.14
Verizon Wireless	011913	\$	30.06
Visa	011914	\$	777.58
Visa	011915	\$	<u>809.69</u>

The board approved the revenue vouchers for the month of August: Recorder \$6,054.50; Zoning \$2,025.00; Court \$57.50; Sheriff \$200.00.

Revenues for materials and/or services rendered in August: Robertson Metal Recycling \$109.00 scrap metal

Revenues for the month of August: Sheriff \$7,025.13 permits; Sheriff \$317.20 overload fee; Highway Tax Distribution \$12,077.12; Oil & Gas Production Tax \$91,382.63; Interest \$3,605.83; Royalties \$25,194.26; Unorganized Oil & Gas Production Tax \$34,587.69; State Oil Impact \$12,272.61; 24/7 Program \$140.00; EMS \$1,400.00; Miscellaneous \$68.75.

Payroll in the following amounts were approved for August: General Fund \$146,214.80; Road and Bridge Fund \$112,992.22; Weed Fund \$43,583.23.

With there being no further business, Kasian moved to adjourn the meeting 3:00P.M. Kessel seconded. All voted aye.

James Arthaud, Chairman

Attest: _____

Marcia Lamb, Auditor/Treasurer